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Sir:

In response to a final Office Action dated September 3, 2003, Applicants filed an Amendment and an Information Disclosure Statement on December 3, 2003, within the shortened statutory period for response. Pursuant to numerous inquiries with the Patent Office, it is understood that there is no record of receiving the Amendment and the Information Disclosure Statement

Enclosed is a copy of the Patent Office mailroom date stamped postcard as evidence of the filing. Also enclosed are copies of the Amendment and the Information Disclosure Statement. Copies of the references were submitted previously, but will be resubmitted if the Examiner has difficulty in obtaining copies of the references.

Approximately two months has passed since the filing of the Amendment. The time period for response is currently into the third extended month. This delay is the result of the Patent Office's failure to correctly transfer the documents from the mailroom to the Examiner. Because Applicants were not responsible for the delay, Applicants request that the time period for response be reset. Specifically, the shortened statutory period for response should expire on February 3, 2003. It should be noted however, that substantive consideration by the Examiner cannot be delayed. Specifically, Applicants need for the Amendment to be considered before the statutory period expires on March 3, 2004.

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The Examiner should note that the attorney of record has changed. As evidence of the change in representation, enclosed is a copy of the Revocation/New Power of Attorney form submitted previously. It is requested that all future correspondence be addressed to the new attorneys at the below address.

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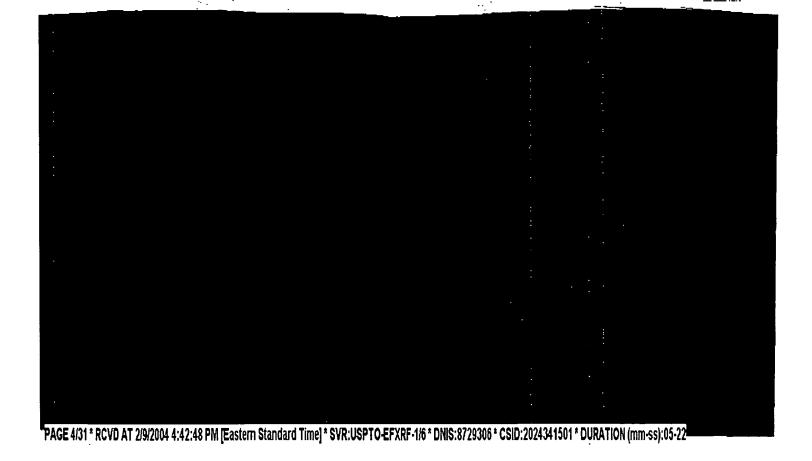
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